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NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

K. E. Burke, President

New Term

The "Winter Term" begins Monday, January 5. All classes will begin on schedule that day. Students who were in college for the "Fall Term" enrolled on December 15 to 18 for the "Winter Term." Several new students will enroll Monday, January 5. The enrollment this year will break all previous enrollment records.

Coming Events

The College Board of Trustees will meet at the college Tuesday, January 13 for the regular mid-year meeting. A joint Board - Faculty - Student Leader luncheon is being planned for that day.

The "Louisa F. Kellens Fellowship for Girls" will be held on the campus January 13-15. Mrs. Marion McQuary, of Spokane, is to be the guest speaker. Conferences and group meetings will be held each day during the Fellowship. Mrs. McQuary was a member of the Washington State Evangelistic Team for years, so comes to the college with a background of rich and wide experience. She will deliver three main addresses on the following themes: "Open Doors of World Brotherhood;" "Open Doors of Service;" and, "Open Doors of Spiritual Enrichment." Lois Jean Widener, President of the Women's Association, is in charge of the Fellowship program.

Claule P. Sabin, pastor at Forest Grove, will deliver a special series of messages to students and faculty January 20-22. His general theme will be, "The Restoration Movement in the Light of the Present Day." This is one of the items the college is offering as part of the Five Year State Program.

Emergency Million

The campaign is on. You will be planning to help, and you should. Be sure to keep the college in mind.

First, because over 60% of our churches in the Northwest are served by men trained in our schools in the Northwest. We must continue to turn out a large supply of ministers. This we can do only as you make it possible.

Second, 112 young men and 107 young women were in college this past term asking the church for a chance to be prepared for Christian service. The coming term will see a considerable increase in attendance. These, too, will be seeking a chance for schooling and service. We must not fail them now if we want their services in years ahead.

Third, training young people now means leaders tomorrow for missions (Home and abroad), Benevolences, Pastorates, Education and Evangelism. We must not fail the college now if we want a succeeding church later.

"1,000 Club"

The new "1,000 Club" idea has met with approval over the Northwest. Several have sent in money asking to be made members of the club. Several have indicated they would find others to become members. The club seeks to enroll all who are willing to give $5.00 or more to the property debt. If 2,000 folk in the Northwest would share in this it would take only two or three years to clear the debt. If you want to help send in your contribution asking to be made a member of the club. We must make another property payment in February.

Property Payment

On February 1, the college must make a payment of $8,000 on the property. This is $5,000 on the principal and $3,000 interest. Many churches and individuals have sent in substantial cash gifts, but we must have many others if this payment is met. Brethren, this is your college, and your property. This payment can be made only as you make it possible. The college seeks to serve as you request it to do. We have no funds to pay obligations but your funds.

BROTHERHOOD DINNER

The Brotherhood Dinner is scheduled for Wednesday night, January 21. The theme suggested is "Christians in Action." There will be no broadcast. A fine program has been prepared as a guide and which may be had upon request to the United Society. It is to be hoped every church in the state will observe the dinner, preferably on the date suggested—but if necessary, on a nearby date. Let us demonstrate that we can "be one" in something.

EMERGENCY MILLION

As these lines are being read the Emergency Million campaign will be on in Oregon. A team of national leaders will occupy pulpits on January 11 and 18. A state-wide meeting in Portland on the 9th will have been history. There are obligations to be met. Emergency times create emergency needs. Only people who are truly Christ-like can meet emergencies when they come.

STATE MISSIONS

C. F. Swander, Secretary

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The 1941 legislature passed a new law that affects every incorporated church in the state. They made it mandatory that church corporations file with the state corporation commissioner the name and address of an attorney in fact to whom court summons may be sent. You can get the proper blank form for this by writing to Lloyd R. Smith, Corporation Commissioner, Salem, Oregon. This is not something optional with you, but your corporation papers will be cancelled if you do not respond. If in doubt, consult your attorney.

THE EDUCATIONAL ADVANCE

The United Christian Educational Advance is gaining ground. Churches all over the nation are enrolling. One of the best features of it is that it is a united effort; more than 40 religious bodies are engaged in it. It is a movement that every church in Oregon can engage in. We hope to get word that every church in the state has enrolled. You can get materials to guide your advance campaign by writing The Department of Religious Education, 2700 Pine Street, St. Louis, Missouri; or to The Christian Standard, Station N, Box 5, Cincinnati, Ohio. "Reach every person with Christian teaching" may be an idealistic aim, but nevertheless that is just what the movement means.

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT

The Permanent Fund has received a gift of $305 from the Beaverton Church by the grace of Carl W. Rogers, one of their leading members. This brings the total assets in the Permanent Fund to $9,996.06. Interest due on January 1 will pull it over the $10,000 mark. We will soon give a complete write-up of the Fund.

Another Youth Convention will be held over the Thanksgiving week-end of 1942. The place is yet in abeyance. But thus much the State Youth Committee decreed at a meeting on December 27. More anon about it.

The church at Nyssa has purchased a church building from the Nazarenes. It will last them until they can do better. Our Permanent Fund made the deal possible.

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STUDENT SALARIES

A recent survey of preachers' salaries elicited replies from 30 student preachers. Their compensation ranges all the way from offerings only to $1,080 per year, with four-fifths of them less than $50 per month. Eight churches have given an increase in the last year; 22 had increased all the way from 1940 back to the dark ages.

Some facts should be known. Living quarters for a student preacher (Married) averages $18.00 per month; food, $18.00; tuition, fees, books and incidentals, another $12.00. Measure this up against the salary you pay your preacher and see how much he has left for clothes, laundry, car expenses, etc. We know that student churches are not strong financially, but we know, also, that the majority of them could make it much easier for their minister. Some of these churches exist today only because there are student preachers; and some of our full time pastorates are such only by the grace of student pastors in the days gone by.

Any church board can sit down with their preacher and talk over with him frankly his financial obligations; and any church can give something in the way of an increase. A 10% raise in some cases, or a 20% in others will be within the ability of all. Churches, the best friend you have is your preacher. Deal squarely with him. He deserves it.

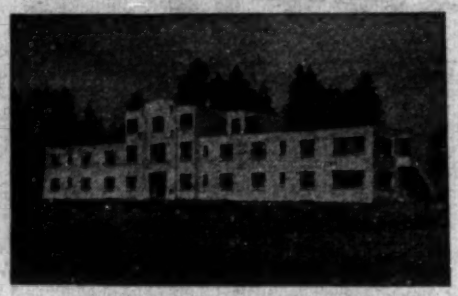
OBITUARY

J. L. Dunn, elder in Portland First Church, November 29; M. B. Green, elder in the St. Johns Church, November 30; Frank Van Horn, Hood River Valley Church, November 30; Ross Miller, member of Odell Church, December 2. These all died in the faith and their works live after them.

Sweet Home has had 6 baptisms and 1 other since Earle Miller came.

Tillamook begins the new year with a 5-year program of advance. The attendance goal for January 4 was 444. The first year program will be evangelistic and they have set a goal of 100 additions. Richard DeVilliers, pastor.

NORTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN HOME



Mrs. Laura K. Hill, Supt.

Christmas Day

Christmas was a joyous day in Northwestern Christian Home. The Christmas tree stood in the midst of a great mound of gifts in which no member of the family was overlooked. All members were able to come to the dining room to Christmas dinner except Miss Addie Brown who has lived in the infirmary for many months. There was no turkey this year; but there was an abundant meal which all enjoyed without ill after effects.

Missionary Speaker

Ladies of Hillsboro and Beaverton held a joint meeting in the Home on December 26, and had as guest speaker Miss Jessie MacGregor who returned in September from Shanghai, China, where she has served as a missionary for 20 years.

Central Entertains

Northwestern Christian Home folks enjoyed a day as guests at luncheon of Central Christian Church in Portland. The church provided transportation and most of the family were able to go.

Thank You, Everyone!

Friends have been exceptionally generous and our own ground has yielded well. Our store rooms are well stocked with canned goods, root vegetables, nuts, and even popcorn. The incoming Christmas offerings look encouraging; but it will be some time before we can compare totals with other years. We face with some apprehension the effects of war on benevolence and know that our greatest need in coming months will be for money to meet expenses.

Elevator Hopes

The din of drills and the clang of metals promise that the long delayed installation of our elevator is nearing completion. We hope that it may be in operation by the time these lines are read.

Washing Machine Resigns

Our old washing machine that has served for about 15 years has served notice that it will not work much longer. Repairs will make it serve a little while; but we soon must have another. Curtailments on account of defense needs make it urgent that we get a machine while one is still available. Laundry bills would skyrocket if we were left without one. Part of the necessary funds are on hand, but some more will be needed. Friends who would like to contribute any sum to meet this need may send it to Northwestern Christian Home and state that it is for the laundry equipment.

Let Us Improve Oregon's Record

Records for the year ending June 30, 1941, show some gain in the number of churches contributing to the work of Northwestern Christian Home.

State	No. Churches	No. Contrib.
Montana	24	15
North Idaho	10	6
South Idaho	19	15
Washington	97	73
Oregon	144	77

68 Oregon churches made no cash contribution. Let us improve the record this year.—Walter L. Myers.

CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

The Centennial Program Committee held a meeting recently and they have great plans for the coming days. These plans will be released when they have been completed. They are anxious above all things that churches shall become conscious of the fact that 1946 will mark the 100th milestone of our history in Oregon. A five year program is being gotten under way, and it will be a program of progress. Claude P. Sabin, Forest Grove, is the chairman of the committee and the churches will be hearing from him. In the meantime every church should step up its work in evangelism, education, missions, stewardship and indoctrination.

Has your church and school made a gift to Oregon missions yet? If not, do it now. It is needed badly.

Adrian Sias will hold a meeting at Elmira in February. He can accept a pre-Easter meeting before taking up his duties as chaplain. Address him at 137 Almond St., Ashland, Oregon.

Baker reports 9 added in December. Len Fishback is pastor.

Lebanon reports 10 baptisms and 11 others in the last three months of 1941. The church auditorium has been completely redecorated and the pastor's study furnished. Laurence Bixler, pastor.

Medford First observed their 57th anniversary on November 25. Just getting in their prime. R. W. Coleman, pastor.

St. Helens church reports joining the Pension Fund. Good work!

Mallory Ave. reports 2 baptisms, 8 others in the Tan-Ditter meeting.

OREGON MISSIONARY TIDINGS

Mrs. E. F. Leake, Secretary

MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

New Years Resolutions I Wish I Might Keep

A good many folks decry the idea of New Year's Resolutions. They say that "hell is paved with good intentions." We think that what they intend to condemn is resolutions which are not kept and of course we are not disposed to advocate anything of that sort. We do insist however upon the necessity of resolutions, whether they be made at the beginning of the New Year or not, if we hope for any worthy progress or achievement. Assuming that our resolutions will be faithfully kept during 1942, what shall they be? May I venture to suggest a few which I wish we, the women of Oregon, might be sure to keep in this New Year?

First, That whatever tragedies and tribulations the New Year may hold for us, we shall hold fast our faith in the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and in the divine wisdom and supreme urgency of His plan for the salvation of the world.

Second, That we shall always remember that in the message and ministry of the Church of Jesus Christ we have the only rational hope for a decent world order promising peace and happiness for mankind when the great war shall have come to an end.

Third, That every day of the New Year shall find each one of us alive to the fact that if the great missionary, educational and benevolent enterprises of the Kingdom are to survive despite the fires of a great world conflagration, it will be and can only be through the sacrificial devotion of those who have already proven themselves the loyal friends of these enterprises. If we do not care for these vital enterprises of the Kingdom during the awful emergency of these days it is absolutely certain no one else will do it.

Fourth, That we may faithfully discharge our duties and responsibilities as officers and members of local groups. That we shall not despise the day of small things in our relation to the kingdom, but that we shall appreciate the fact that our personal loyalty to the work, though apparently insignificant, is an indispensable part of the total loyalty essential for Kingdom victory.

Fifth, That through all the unpredictable trials, sacrifices and sorrows of the days ahead we shall keep our grip upon those infinite resources of spiritual strength and comfort which we have in Him in whom all "fullness" dwells.

And finally, that we may be instant in prayer, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord. That we may be tolerant and generous toward each other, that we may "rejoice with them that rejoice; weep with them that weep;" and that throughout the year we may live our lives and do our work in the spirit of "good hope Through grace."

Stewardship Thoughts for Parents

A mother sends her child to the grocery store and sends along a dollar. When she sends him to the butcher shop she provides him with fifty cents. When she sends him to the bakery he carries a quarter. When she sends him to the movies he takes a dime. When she sends him to Church School he brings a penny. How much is God worth to your Child?—Oregon Childrens Work Bulletin.

Calendar of Service for January

The Emergency Million for Life and Work is being launched in Oregon in January. You will want to read the center pages of January World Call concerning this emergency. Two pieces of devotional material have been prepared for your use: "Jesus Calls Us," a service of worship and consecration prepared for the use of a group; "Go Ye," a booklet containing suggestions for daily meditation and prayer for one week. "Women and Emergency Million" tells a vital story. Every woman should have this vital leaflet.

Since January begins the second half of the missionary year and marks also change in officers in a number of women's councils, it is a good time to check up on organization supplies. Have you ordered the Study Packet for this half year's study?

Did you reach half of all aims and goals by December 31?

Cooperate with others in planning a Church School of Missions. The July-August, 1941, and January, 1942, issues of World Call carry a list of books and materials for the current study theme.

World Call Week is January 25-31. Plan for a church-wide observance in behalf of this brotherhood magazine. Mrs. Gertrude Mossberger, our state World Call Secretary, reported a total of 1,085 World Calls for Oregon. Then looking ahead to February—

World Day of Prayer, February 20, 1942. The theme is, "I Am the Way."

Yakima Indian Mission

Mrs. Dallas Rice, Superintendent of the Yakima Indian Mission, reported that large boxes from the Oregon societies were arriving before Christmas. We hope that everyone will get enthusiastically behind this project and shorten that long list of needs of the Yakima Indian Mission.

Mrs. Frances Hyland, Oregon Young Peoples Superintendent, prepared and sent out to the youth groups in December for their use a very beautiful service emphasizing the work of the Yakima Mission.

Children's Work Bulletin

We are sure that all who have received them will be delighted with the new Children's Work Bulletin sent out by Mrs. Laura Torgerson at the Christmas time. It is an 8 page mimeographed pamphlet presenting helps, stories, news, and valuable suggestions to children's workers. This bulletin is published cooperatively by the State Educational Committee and the Woman's Board.

The Five V's

Why not try these five V's for Victory in your church through 1942—Virtue, Vision, Vigilance, Vigor, Valor.

STATE OFFERINGS

November 28 to December 31

CHURCHES: Astoria, $3.50; Central (Portland), $25.00; Coquille, $30.00; Creswell, $4.39; Dufur, $17.27; Falls City, $3.00; Gladstone, $3.00; Harrisburg, $20.00; Klamath Falls, $4.50; Kern Park (Portland), $12.20; Milton, $34.50; Mill City, $6.00; Molalla, $4.00; Newport, $10.00; Nyssa, $2.00; Ontario, $2.50; Prineville (Community), $3.00; Redmond, $9.75; Sheridan, $14.96; Springfield, $23.52; Salem I, $21.65; The Dalles, $5.00; Tillamook, $6.00; Vernonia, $22.00; Woodburn, $9.31; Yamhill, $5.00; Pendleton, $29.00.

SCHOOLS: Bend, $12.93; Carlton, $9.95; Crabtree, $5.00; Hood River, $5.00; Hood River Valley, $2.45; Liberty, $2.50; Ontario, $1.00; Tillamook, $25.00; Heppner, $10.55.

INDIVIDUALS: Fred Hurner, $5.00; Mrs. A. M. Peterson, $5.00; Ross Evans, $5.00.

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES: Halfway, $10.75; Roseburg, $5.00; Klamath Falls, $10.00; Englewood, $3.00.

PERMANENT FUND: Interest, $60.00; Principal, $33.50; Beaverton Church, $305.00.

A CORRECTION: Last month McMinnville was given a credit of $20.00; it should be $40.00. Please notify us of errors.

NOTES AND NEWS

Central (Portland) has additions almost every Sunday. There were 10 confessions and 14 by statement in November, and a goodly number in December. About 120 during 1941. Claude Neely, pastor.

McMinnville observed Christian Emphasis week in November with services every night, Guy L. Drill, Salem, as guest speaker. One confession and 18 reconsecrations. S. J. Osborne, the pastor, will return the compliment to Salem later on.

The Woodburn building has been improved to the amount of $400 the past year. Brother Tan-Ditter held a meeting.

NINETY AND NINE NEWS

Ray C. Smith, Secretary

Ninety and Nine Evangelists

We take great pleasure in presenting to the Christian brotherhood of Oregon Mr. and Mrs. W. W. White, who will serve as evangelists of the Ninety and Nine Men's Movement. Brother and Sister White are well known to many in the state and are well fitted for this work, chiefly in the smaller churches and pioneer fields. Their first meeting started on January 4 at Creswell, in Lane county. Other meetings will probably be held at Vaughn, The Dalles, Athena, Canby, and Detroit. Christian men of Oregon are guaranteeing their salary and expenses, and our desire is that money will be available to keep other full time evangelists and preachers in the needy fields. Ninety and Niners within reach of the above named churches should lend them their whole hearted support. Requests for other meetings should be made to Brother White, or to Martin Kullowatz, Evangelistic chairman, 8456 S. W. 30th Ave., Portland.

Here and There

The Ninety and Nine Men's Fellowship has been established in the Gospel Tabernacle at Brainard, Minnesota, patterned after our work here in Oregon, and they now have a men's Bible class of 40, and a committee is at work on a boys program and evangelism. They have purchased 18 of our gold pins. Guy P. Leavitt, Editor of the Lookout, has also ordered a number of pins. Men in our churches throughout the nation are interested in the challenge of the Ninety and Nine Men's Movement. If your district, or local group, does something worth while, a report to our national church papers will be appreciated.

—Douglas county men attended the evangelistic services at Myrtle Creek on December 2 and conducted a business meeting at the close of that service. The next rally will be held at Roseburg on January 6. The district project is the collection of usable clothing and shoes to be sent to the city mission at Eugene.

Coos Bay District reports a fine rally at Marshfield on December 16 with a good attendance in spite of bad weather and national defense duties. Carl Richardson, of North Bend, brought a helpful message on "That Man Jesus." District Vice President, Ralph Harry, is in charge of the rally programs and the "New Year's Resolution" theme will be used at North Bend on January 20. Dan Brown, of Coquille, is chairman of district evangelism and is leading out in some practical work. Harold Stone, of Myrtle Point, reports that the men of that church have sponsored a new Bible School at Dora. Ray Kleinfeldt, of N. C. C., and Tom Royer, of Myrtle Point, have been active in building up this new school. Fennor Travis, of Marshfield, is district president.

The White Evangelistic Team

New officers of the Tillamook Men's group are reported by O. G. Wheeler as follows: Guy Aydelott, President; Geo. Rawson and Wayne Overholser, Vice Presidents; Gerald Hatten, Secretary; and Oscar Bishop, Treasurer.

E. O. Draper, State Vice President in Eastern Oregon, reports an active interest in the summer boys camp at Anthony Lake.

La Grande Ninety and Niners entertained their wives at a social meeting on December 17, and this new group recently made a further remittance on their state pledge.

Harold Blanchard, of Elgin, Eastern Oregon Secretary, reports newly elected officers of the Elgin men's class to be Harold Kernon, Glen Hug, and John Walty. These men are planning a meeting in the near future with an invitation extended to the men of the town to hear more about the Ninety and Nine Movement. Glen Ballard is pastor.

Charles B. Davis, President of Willamette District, states that an effort is being made to provide gospel teams to hold meetings in this district. A number of churches have responded to the challenge of the state budget, including $150 from First Church, Salem; $13.50 from Sweet Home; $40 from Lebanon.

The Lebanon class held a meeting on December 15 with Earle Miller, of Sweet Home, as the speaker. The following officers were elected: President, Hugh Olds; Vice President, Ross White; Secretary-Treasurer, J. E. Estep. Incidentally, Lebanon has remitted $10.00 and Sweet Home, $13.50.

Boys' Work

In this time of a war-torn world, when dictators are teaching hate and conquest to the youth of their nations, let us not fail to teach our youth the love of the Master. One way to do this is through a Father and Son banquet, where they can fellowship with Christian men, and see and hear a program that will lead them in right paths. So plan now for your banquet in the month of February or March. Do not fail in this or both you and the boys will miss a great blessing. Northwest District will hold a Father and Son rally January 26 at Mallory Ave. Church, in Portland. Coos Bay District will feature a Father and Son banquet at Myrtle Point in February. Other districts please note.

Tract Evangelism

By W. Rufus Rings

Generally speaking evangelism is promoted largely by "the preaching of the Word," but since not all are preachers not all persons can engage in this form of evangelism. A second form is "the teaching of the Word," but that method is also restricted to a limited number of persons. A third form of evangelism is called "tract evangelism," and is suggested by the parable of the Sower of the Seed. Anyone can sow seed, which is the Word of God, and God will give the increase. All that a tract evangelist needs to do is to prayerfully spread the printed Word in all directions and God will do the rest. Not every one can be a preacher, or a teacher, but everyone can be a tract evangelist. Anyone can scatter seed on places where, under God's blessing, it will yield abundantly.

The Tan-Ditters, our Jewish evangelists, made 26 visits and contacts in Jewish homes over the holidays. They appreciate the many offerings of food and toys that made this possible. Pray for them.

A soldier's cantonment, capable of caring for 33,000 soldiers is in the offing for Monmouth. The preliminary surveys have been made. In anticipation of the responsibility the preachers of Polk, Benton, Marion and Linn counties met recently and organized the Mid-Columbia Church Council that they may adequately provide spiritual help. Willard A. Elkins is the President.